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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No.: 10/645,814

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Title: External counterpulsation device using electroactive  
polymer actuators

Art Unit: 3764

Examiner: Agarwal, Manuj

Docket No.: S13.12-0146 (now 02-377)

Confirmation No. 7877

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed February 17, 2006 in the above matter, please consider the following amendments and remarks: